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Calendar

Feb. 18—Basketball with L.L. Here

Feb. 22—HOLIDAY

Feb. 25—Basketball with Piedmont Here

March 4—Mardi Gras

March 15—Music Assembly

March 17-19—OPERETTA

March 18—Swimming with Alhambra Here

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There will be a new course offered next year taught by Mr. Muldoon. It will be in reading-hopefully to enable students to read faster, etc. It will be called POWER READING.

Jack Beers was school representative to the Bay Area Society of Annual Scholarship Contest. He was interviewed by 3 engineers and several teachers. However a boy from El Cerrito won.

DON DELEGATES PORTRAY PAKISTAN

Acalanes Statesmen represented the country of Pakistan last weekend in the annual high school Model United Nations held at the California Student Union in Berkeley. Eleven delegates from Acalanes met with hundreds of other high school students for three days and discussed issues ranging in idea from Red China's admittance to the United Nations to Space Control to the Jordan River crisis. It was a most interesting experience for the 11 who attended. The chairman of the delegation, Greg Moore, along with John Quincy, the president of Acalanes Statesmen, Doug Anderson, Deke Dekay, Dennis Horgan, Clay Kallum, Kathy Kari, Gail Monheit, Ron Olsen, Steve Ringley, and Paul Rockwell were the delegates representing Pakistan at this convention.

Each of the 117 countries represented in the real United Nations in New York was represented by a California high school. The registration of Thursday afternoon was followed by individual discussions of delegates seeking support on various resolutions. After dinner the General Assembly convened in the Pali Ball Room in the Student Union for the welcoming addresses and opening ceremonies. Caucus meetings followed at the Hotel Claremont where "bloc" support on resolutions was discussed. And parties followed that. Friday was devoted to committee meetings of five types; from the Special Political Committee meeting to the Social Humanitarian and Cultural Committee meeting. A banquet was followed by more fun and Saturday the General Assembly convened to discuss legislation passed in committee.

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MR. REEVES BECOMES A PROMISING AUTHOR

Mr. Reeves' Essays To Be Published

Mr. Bruce Reeves, noted English teacher at Acalanes, is also a promising author in his off-school hours. Off-and-on during the past four years, Mr. Reeves has written essays, two of which are to be published in the near future.

"Pipes and Pipe Smoking in **Great Expectations"** involves Charles Dickens' novel **Great Expectations.** In "Pipes and Pipe Smoking . . ." Mr. Reeves stated that the pipe is a symbol of freedom, and has incorporated characters from **Great Expectations** to illustrate and prove his statement. Mr. Reeves' essay will be published in "The Dickensian," the official publication of the Dickens Society.

"The Object Lesson," the second of Mr. Reeves' essays, explicates a classroom exercise in descriptive writing whereby students learn to write in a descriptive manner. He employs the following method: One class of students is shown an object and proceeds to describe it as vividly as possible. The descriptions are then given to a second class of students who proceed to draw a picture of the object. The result is that the student who wrote the most vivid description of the object will receive a picture that is usually closer to the image of the object than the picture from a poorly-written paper. "The Object Lesson" will soon appear in the **English Journal.**

Mr. Reeves has previously written four pieces of light verse which have been published. Hopefully we will be able to see more of Mr. Reeves' literary works in print.

SKI TRIP SUCCESSFUL

Donner Ski Ranch was the destination of the Acalanes Ski Club on the club's first trip of the year. The trip was very successful and so many people went that part of the group had to stay at Beacon Hill.

The group left on Thursday with 76 students and three teachers: Miss Carmichael, Mr. Snodgrass and Mr. Thurling. On Sunday night, after three days of skiing, the group returned.

An earlier trip had been planned in December, but there were too few reservations made which resulted in the trip being postponed. However, this recent trip was very successful due to the careful planning of **Fred David** and **Amy Purrington.**

MEXICAN TOUR REPEATED AT EASTER

Again this Easter there will be a student tour of Mexico. The tour will include four days in Mexico City ,the capital, two days in Guadalajara, and three days in Puerta Vallarta.

Last year's trip was identical to this year's with the exception of about three places. Last year's trip was a total success due to the chaperones and the students that went along. This year's trip can be expected to be the same.

The planning for last year's trip started with a meeting of tour members at the home of the chaperones, Mr. and Mrs. Stevens. At the meeting, the agenda for the trip as well as the precautions that should be taken in Mexico were discussed.

The next time the group got together was at the airport in San Francisco. Eighteen tourists got on the plane headed for Mexico. Three of the tourists were adult chaperones and the rest were students. Th flight down was interesting,the best part being the night landing in Mexico City. From the air, Mexico City's night lights are overwhelmingly beautiful.

The tour stayed in Mexico City three days. During the stay, the 18 tourists saw a bullfight, Chapultapec Park a sort of Golden Gate Park of Mexico City, and the second largest museum in the world. The Museum of Anthropology is second only to the Louvre in France and is very beautiful architecturally.

The next stop on the agenda was Guadalajara. Guadalajara is a very beautiful city west of Mexico City. It has a lot of greenery and flowers. It was a bit easier to stay in Guadalajara because it has a lower elevation than Mexico City. In Guadalajara, the climate was nearly perfect. While there, the tour visited the general market and had a chance to see the cathedral.

After Guadalajara came Puerta Vallarta. This small town is right on the ocean. The temperature was high and the water was very warm. The time spent in Puera Vallarta was for relaxation from the hectic pace of the tour; while there, everyone was on his own. Some o fthe tour tried body surfing as well as water skiing. Others were able to take a boat ride to the "Night of the Iguana" set. After the stay in Puerta Vallarta the tour flew straight back to San Francisco. The 18 tired tourists arrived home on a Saturday and returned to school on the next Monday.

Practically the same tour will be leaving for Mexico this Easter. Any interested people should contact Miss Sifuentes in Room 308. She has the agenda for the trip that is coming up.

New T.V. Station

A new television station, KCFT-TV channel 42, has come to Concord. Although channel 42 is operating on the UHF frequency, many people in Lafayette are able to receive channel 42 if they have a new television set which receives UHF broadcasts or if they have cable vision. Because of the many people in Lafayette who are watching channel 42, KCFT will broadcast many programs that will be especially interesting to those people living in Lafayette.

Contra Costa and Solano counties are the area to which channel 42 is broadcasting. Because of this limited area, there is a heavy emphasis on local news, local sports and feature reports concerning local events. Regular programming does include two color movies a day, excellent old reruns, and some new series that have not been seen on national television.

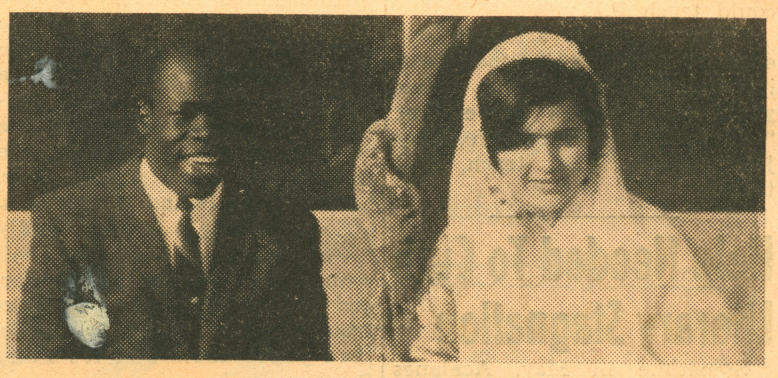
The sports department of channel 42 has several well known names including Roy Storey, the voice of the San Francisco Seals, Jack Ryan, formerly with KWUN and KKIS radio stations, Red Pfeiffer, an expert on bowling and golf, and Stan Riddle. Two half-hour sport shows are on every night with a complete run-down of major league, college, and high school results.

Acalanes Welcomes Exchange Students

Enochs Alli from Uganda and Gollie Golar from Iran were guest speakers at an A.F.S. meeting held in the Old Gym on Feb. 9. The students came to Acalanes as a part of the Foreign Exchange Week held in the Bay Area from February 6-12. In exchange for Enochs and Gollie, Acalanes sent its three exchange students to various Bay Area schools.

At the meeting, President Glen Schneider first introduced Gollie Golar, who began by showing her native flag and explaining its symbolism. Gollie is presently attending San Lorenzo High School. She remarked that upon her arrival in the United States she expected to see cowboys and Indians roaming the streets, as depicted in American movies. Gollie also mentioned that her native tongue is Persian and spoke several phrases in that language.

Santa Rosa High School is host to Enochs Alli, an exchange student from Uganda, which, he was quick to explain, was granted its independence in 1962. Enochs comes from a family of four brothers and three sisters, which would be considered a rather small family in South Africa. He explained that his father is a farmer, as are most men in Uganda. Enochs pointed out that the American people tend to disbelieve the fact that Uganda is rapidly developing in all respects and that radios and television are quite common. He ended his talk with "America is a good place to live."



Enochs Alli from Uganda and Gollie Golar from Iran were the two exchange students who visited us for the Exchange—Exchange Week.

NEWLY ELECTED STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBERS

Election Feb. 4 marked a change in the Student Council. One representative was to be chosen from eacch of the World History and Geography and English II classes, while four were chosen from each U.S. History and American Government classes. The students nominated themselves and then elections were held.

The chosen representativs are: from the freshman class, John Allen, Linda Brigante, Rick DeKay, Peggy Dettmer, Bob Evans, Mike Heafy, Steve Hobbs, Chris Holbrook, Phil Jennings, Nancy Omo, Paula Perlman, Linda Swan, and Steve Thatcher; the sophomore class, Nancy Cammeron, Paul Guilkey, Paul Haggerty, Paula Harrison, Tom Hunt, Cammy Kruse, Steve Martin, Debbie Matheson, Stew Merrit, Lorrie Newmark, Janice Peterson, Sheryl Swanson, Anne Tijsseling, and Stephanie Turk; from the junior class, Linda Disano, Fred David, Craig Davis, Alice Edwards, Greg Fink, Laura Haskell, Sally Hunter, Roberta Kane, Sue Lincoln, Chris Silla, Ron Stringer, and Darcy Warburton; and from the senior class, Bret Bullen, Jim Clapp, Dave Denny, Stuart Fogg, Dave Ford, Wendy Holmes, Dan Jones, Mike Kauzer, Marianne Molloy, Jay Reed, Pete Small, and Janie Stone.

MEMORIES OF THE GOOD OLD DAYS

What would be your outstanding memories if you had taught at Acalanes for 20 years?

Miss Richardson, who has taught at Acalanes for 24 years, has many outstanding memories of Acalanes. Her first thirteen years at Acalanes were devoted to teaching art. She later became a counselor and was then elevated to Dean of Girls. Miss Richardson's general opinion is that the students are the same but much more numerous. She also believes that Acalanes' school spirit has improved since the 1940's. Miss Richardson especially remembers tomato picking during WWII as many Acalanes students helped in the war effort by volunteering to harvest tomatoes in Contra Costa County.

Mr. Mattson, who is celebrating his 25th anniversary as an Acalanes teacher, teaches Boys' P.E. When he first came to Acalanes, there were 13 teachers and 300 students. He taught History for one year and later changed to P.E. Mr. Matson was in the Navy during the war so he has no recollection of Acalanes' war effort. He does remember when the redwood trees were planted by the students on Arbor Day. The trees are now 50 to 60 feet high.

Mr. Busch has been teaching at Acalanes for 22 of its 26 years. He was originally a music teacher. He taught music for 10 years. Then he changed to General Math. Mr. Busch best remembers the school spirit during the time of Coach Cline's basketball team. He does think the new coach, Mr. Cole, will develop another championship team.

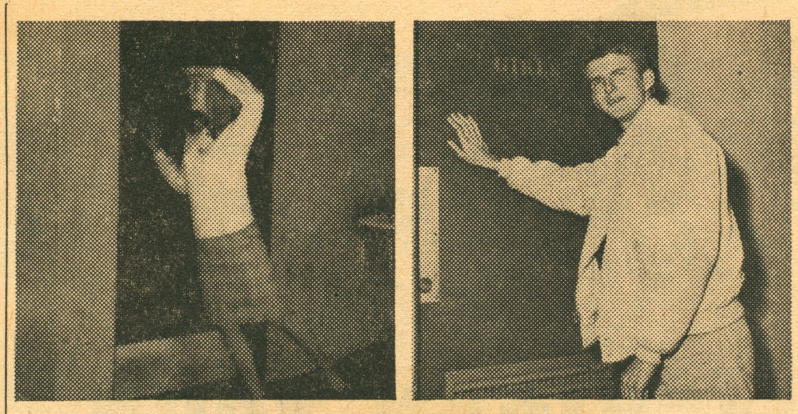
Miss Hamburger, who now teaches modern dance and is a counselor, has been at Acalanes for 24 years. She first taught P.E., World History and English. She took over Mr. Matson's History Class. Her English class was remedial. Miss Hamburger also remembers when she and Miss Nick practiced throwing with bean bags down the lines in the gym. They were trying to learn to throw straight so they could teach P.E.

These teachers' varied experiences at Acalanes give the school its individuality. Their many years at Acalanes prove that "Old teachers never leave, they just teach, and teach, and teach . . ."

Help Needed To Curb Literary Stagnation

Sometime in May, Acalanes will have its own literary magazine. The magazine will be edited by Laurie Gardner. It will be called Melange, meaning mixture, and will be an assortment of essays, poems, short stories, and character sketches contributed by Acalanes' students and teachers. Illustrations will be accepted with entries.

Bring all entries to Laurie or to Mr. Mayes in room 108 before April 1. A prize will be given for the best entry.



THEY NEVER SEEM TO BE TOGETHER

SENIOR PROFILES

Patty Burror is an active member of Rally Committee and because she loves making banners and posters so much, she was made head of Game Decorations. She has also been chosen as one of the dancers for the up-and coming operetta, put on by A Cappella and the rest of the Music Department.

Have you ever been to the ice skating rink in Walnut Creek? Well, if you haven't, you've missed Patty, who is well known for her ice skating and participation in ice shows put on there. Patty had a chance to join the Ice Follies, which come around in July, but she decided to go to college instead.

Cats are her favorite animals (Tabby for one). In fact, she loves cats so much that she bent a telephone pole for them. Once, while driving in a car with her neighbor's cats in the seat behind her, she reached back to put the crawling cats back in the box, and smashed into the pole. Try and top that, cat lovers!

Pat also likes to bake cookies, and to show you how much, listen to this — she baked 10 dozen cookies for the ski trip. Don't you wish you had gone skiing now?

One of her favorite songs is "Elusive Butterfly of Love." Patty is a constant button-pusher because the news "depresses her," so she doesn't have a favorite station.

Among her dislikes are the school grounds since some of the bushes have been cut down. She thinks Acalanes looks "like a prison or an army camp." Another one of her dislikes is the methods of drafting men for the service; she thinks it is unfair, especially for 18 and 19 year olds.

So if you see a small, friendly blonde walking down the hall with a certain head yell leader, and passing out candy to all her friends, while biting her nails, then you'll know that it's Patty Burror.

Loquacious, laughable, likeable, Curt Lawson is honored this month with that cherished spot, SENIOR PROFILE. Remembered by many as the narrator of the infamous talent show skit, "A Bad Day at Bali Hi," Curt is well-known around Acalanes.

A member of the Student Assemblies Committee and a writer of the Rally skits, he partially likes Acalanes. He's very critical of the Student Council and considers the new lunchroom arrangement and honor system "farces." Public Speaking II, though, is great and his speeches for that class have been on such memorable topics as: "Comic Books," "Smut," "Obscenity," "Drinking," "Fake I.D.'s," and (get this!) "The U.S. Policy of Compulsory Arbitration in Labor Disputes." Curt also approves of our History and Government classes because they are especially helpful in preparing students for college.

Next year, with his "2.1 average," Curt will attend D.V.C., which he affectionately refers to as "The Rock." Future plans inclide transfuring to San Jose State, becoming a radio announcer, and, in time, naturally, rising to the status of a millionaire.

Curt's aversions are outnumbered by his likes. He feels distaste for "people who drink Hamm's, people who don't understand the Rolling Stones, and room 108." However, Chryslers of 1951 vintage, along with Spiderman comics and the "epic" movie, "Batman and Robin," are the greatest. Among his other favorites are The Animals and Budweiser ("It has smaller bubbles"). Although Curt admits that "Bring It On Home To Me" is the best song, he doesn't like it.

To sum up this diverse character, you may like him even though he doesn't like you.

Healdsurg has no girls

CAMPUS OBSERVATIONS

SOCIAL COMMENTARY BY LAURIE GARDNER

Now that we have begun a new semester it is evident that our illustrious and creative students are continuing to manifest their talents in ever fascinating manners.

A most common ritual during this time of the year is name-dropping of ski resorts. Verging on ostentation, this boasting can quite effectively ostracize one who is not quite so wordly. I suppose, however, if it encourages a good, healthy sport it cannot be all bad.

Speaking of athletics, our basketball rooting section is becoming ever more hazardous. I cannot criticize the yell leaders who, (when they can get **each** member to participate) seem to be working hard in creating new stunts and activities to promote spirit. However, there are several rally members who could best be deported to Australia to work with boomerangs and **not** the blue and white cards. After having been hit in the head with one or two I can vouch that it is not at all a comfortable experience. Nevertheless, all this is greatly ameliorated by the success of our team so I'll just resort to ducking.

In the past I have been reproached for being critical of our simulated Berkeleyites. Thus, out of a deep and profound feeling of remorse, I must apologize. I was wrong. Any group that would wear sandals in the rain and sacrifice comfort for nonconformity is truly basking in martyrdom. Undaunted by threats of illness and 10 wrinkled wet little digits, they walk sandalled in the rain toward a new world of dissension. This new type of sacrifice may be too abstruse for the layman to comprehend. Perhaps, then, it is accomplishing the desired effect.

The mania for unique clothing seems to be fading at Acalanes, but there are those who seem to be rebelling against our poor heating system or against getting up early in the morning, or against insecurity, or perhaps against sleeves; they wear blankets. By the way, with young men sharing their suits, how can we ever discover who the real Batman is? Speaking of unusual styles, I understand that Mr. Mayes' favorite English student has been noticed wearing **tawdry** jewelry . . .

I understand that because rally members have been allowing several of their poverty stricken acquaintances to pass through the side door entrances, Mrs. Prentice has had to close this entrance and rent a soft drink machine. It would be nice, however, if the rally members didn't encourage this type of discipline. One concerned young gentleman wonders if the metal cans from these machines are unsafe. I wonder if perhaps Mr. Rockwell has not been watching too many old west-side movies?

Alas, around and around we go like a continuous ring around a rosie. Now I suppose you are going to ask me "What's a rosie?" Some people are never satisfied . . .

No girls has Healdsburg

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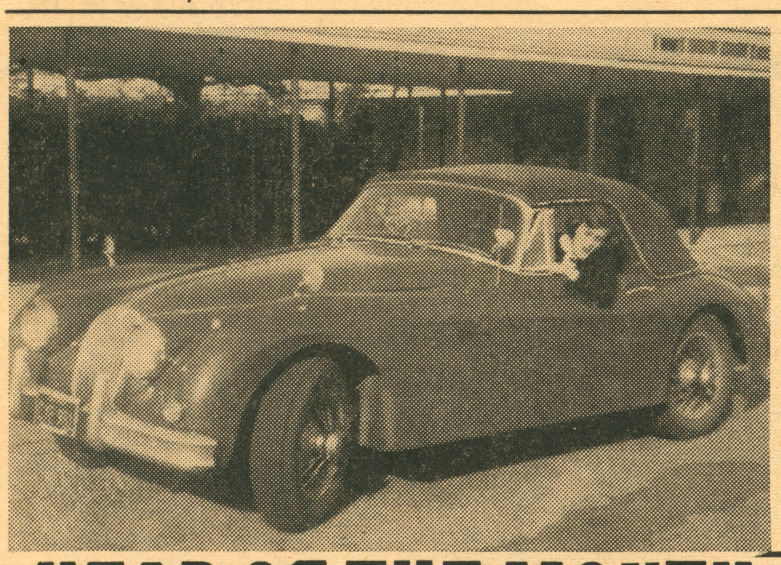

HEAP OF THE MONTH

Standing out in the Acalanes parking lot is this issue's Heap of the Month, Miss Rathert's red 1960 XK 150. Miss Rathert obviously enjoys this drop-head coupe, having driven it 9,000 miles in the seven months she has owned it.

The XK has black leather seats along with wire wheels. But it's the hand craftsmanship, says Miss Rathert, that really makes this car luxurious.

Naturally, this Jaguar has power to spare. It's got a double-overhead cam, automatic overdrive, and 1420 c.c.'s. In Miss Rather's words, "You start testing its roadability at 90 m.p.h."

Recently she drove her Jaguar from the bay area to St. Louis. She had a harrowing experience when XK 150 had a blowout during a thunderstorm. Because the accident occurred in the middle of the desert, she had to change the tires herself. But through experience (three blow-outs) Miss Rathert has become proficient at changing tires, her last attempt taking only 15 minutes to complete.

This Jaguar's fast and smooth-running. Miss Rathert once drove it 110 m.p.h. in Nevada. Yet it runs so smoothly, says she, that she hardly noticed a blowout which occurred while she was driving 80 m.p.h.

Miss Rathert will probably keep her Jaguar for a long time to come. In her words, "I like knowing that the power's there."

EDITORIAL

The most obvious form of democracy in America today can be seen at election time. The people electing their own representatives for government has always been a bulwark of our democratic system.

Our school elections, ideally, would be an example of our democratic system in action, but it seems as though the shallow, immature students of Acalanes would not have our student government run in this manner. Our "elections" and "Student Council Meetings" etc., have become a mockery to our American form of government. In actuality, the "student" government has been a place of refuge for popularity seekers and has held a phony power. Our "meetings" have been discussing trivialities, and our leading individuals, with a few exceptions, perfunctorily perform limited duties. They uphold false ideals for supposed "improvement" of school functions and conditions, when in reality the school's state of affairs seldom, if ever, change.

In addition to these sins, we often vote on false pretenses, as "popularity" and "good looks" qualities, which, in essence, have no bearing on a person's ability to do a job well. Hopefully our student body has overcome its general impulsiveness and lack of insight, to improve the muddled, inefficient state of student government at Acalanes.

Featured Teacher . . . MR. STANLEY BLACK

Mr. Stanley Black, a mechanical drawing teacher, has been employed at Acalanes for 14½ years. Before coming to Acalanes he taught a variety of shop courses at Westwood High School in a small community in Lassen County. While teaching at Westwood, Mr. Black acquired an active interest in skiing and high Sierra hiking.

Mr. Black majored in industrial arts and education at San Jose State College. He did his post-graduate work at the University of Southern California.

Since he has been at Acalanes, Mr. Black feels that the school has not changed much but the quality of students has changed somewhat. "Students are more interested in all phases of shop work. We have a much stronger industrial arts program at Acalanes now," he stated. He also said of the students, "Their seriousness about school work provides an interesting atmosphere for instruction."

Miss Ruth Dyer, who teaches California and World History, has known Mr. Black since their childhood. She describes him as "a very careful, patient man."

Mr. Black presently resides in Walnut Creek with his wife and four children. When at home he grows walnuts. Of this occupation his comment was, "I'm a farmer at heart."

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

The Acalanes **Blueprint** fails to reveal the truth. It neglects the position which it holds and is a disgrace to true reporting. It has been said that a reporter's job is to report the news as he will see it. However, at Acalanes it is understood that there are fantastic censorship laws which prohibit the students from expressing their true opinions through the press. I believe the best way to run a newspaper is to tell the truth and let the news stand on its own merit instead of writing fairy tales, untruths, and gossip for the people with the mentality of a slow radish. If the members of the Blueprint staff don't believe this is so, please print this in the next edition and then evaluate the students' opinions on this issue.

BRETT BULLEN

Reporters on the Blueprint staff have always sought out the truth and have given accounts of the news to the best of their abilities. You must, however, allow for human errors. As to the mention of neglecting our position as a newspaper by failing to reveal the truth the Blueprint staff feels that this statement is unfair. To the best of our knowledge, what we print is the truth.

A school newspaper is an institution through which the students express their true opinions. However, at Acalanes, strong feelings have been suppressed by certain censorship laws, too many times. Whenever a subject is brought up that may cause a little trouble, it is often branded too touchy, is then censored, and quietly shelved into a garbage can. A high voltage of anger and mounting animosities are the only forseeable outcomes until corrections are made.

DOOMED OR BLESSED?

Do you think that the Honor System will succeed?

Acalanes Student Council is supporting a honor system to take effect at the beginning of the second semester of this year.

This system will apply to classes scheduled mainly for junior and senior students. It is a system whereby the teacher is encouraged to trust the students in every possible way during tests perhaps by leaving the classroom or some other means.

The procedure to be followed is simple. An individual academic class must vote unanimously at the beginning of each semester to go on the honor system. On an area specified by the teacher, each student will then write on every test: "I have seen no cheating during this test." (Date) (Name).

If the student sees another cheating or if he has cheated himself, he is on his honor to cross out his statement that he has seen no cheating and his signature. If cheating occurs, the class is then addressed by a member or members of the honor system committee. Again the class must vote unanimously to continue on the honor system. If there is another occurrence of cheating, the class will be off the honor system for the rest of the semester.

Katie Lee — I don't think that there are that many honest people. It will be a dishonest honor system.

Betty Colwell—I don't think the teachers will go for it.

Nancy Harter—It is worth a try. We are treated so immaturely already. There is pride in the honor system. We want some tradition at Acalanes and if we can get it then we would have certain pride. We should be able to say we were the first.

Sue Lincoln—The honor system could not possibly defeat the problem of cheating completely. The pressure placed upon students in high school and college with or without the system will always exist.

Pam Cole—I hope it will work but it is hard to tell. Many kids will take advantage of it. There are always those who will cheat.

Curt Lawson—Wonderful idea but I'm not sure that the Acalanes students are mature enough to benefit by it.

Sandy Sherman—This school is too competitive for grades. Grades are too important. Everyone here is college minded to the point that they don't care what they learn but the grade. They are being idealistic in this school to hope that it would work.

Alexa Esser — It is asking kids to cheat.

Sue Salmon—There will always be a wise guy.

Madelyn Ringgold — It won't work because so many people don't feel that they are their brother's keeper.

Jim Fassio—What a laugh! It will go over like a lead balloon.

Rob Disharoon — Very easily. It is really up to the teachers. If all the teachers give the students a feeling that they are being trusted, then it will succeed.

Ron Silvera — Basically the idea is good. But I think the students should be informed of the procedure and the program. Then we shall have to wait and see.

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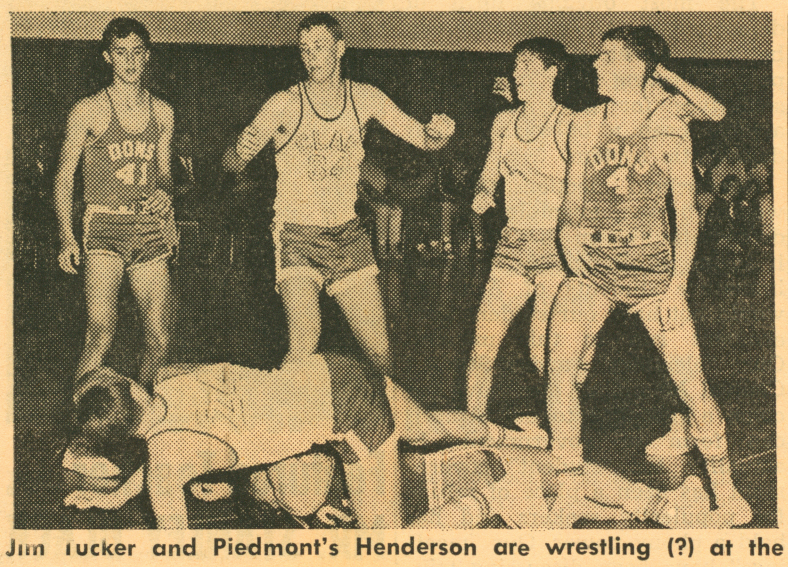
HALF-SEASON SUMMARIZED

The first half of the 1965-1966 basketball season ended with the Piedmont game. Despite this game, the Dons are in second place with a 6-1 record, only one behind Piedmont. The Dons, with the full court press and a lot of hustle, have beaten teams much taller than them. With good performances from the whole team, the Dons are shooting for their third title in the last four years. **Tucker** at 6-3 has had to play the center spot for the Dons and has done a good job on every one who has been bigger than him. **Mr. Cole** is relying on **Tucker's** ability to jump to get most of the Dons' rebounds. **Seely** has been the scoring punch for the Dons. Along with **Tucker**, the Dons are counting on **Seely** for board strength also. Another big man in the Dons' first half success has been 6-0 **Shank.** For a first year man, **Dave** has done extremely well in most areas for the Dons. **Dave** has come through with his share of baskets and has been a demon on the boards for his height. **Walgren** has done an excellent job all around. His offensive and defensive hustle is one big reason why the Dons are where they are. **Bob** has done his fair share of board work too. **Les Silva**, only a sophomore, has done a good job on both offense and defense, too. With his abilities in basketball, **Les** proves to be not only valuable this year but for the next two years. **Borowiak** has been a good replacement for **Shank** when needed. **Jeff** has that good corner shot which has come in handy many a time. **Stewart** has been a real team leader in both practice and during the game. **Dave** has filled in for **Silva** when needed and done a good job so far. **Eames** and **Stubblefield** both have done well in replacing **Tucker** when needed. With these two in, the Dons have a lot of height in which to rebound with. Both **Rich** and **Lucky** have come a long way since the beginning of practice. **Riner** and **Sullivan** have done commendable jobs when they have been called on. **Riner** is usually called on when **Seely** needs a rest. **Bob**, being a good jumper gives the Dons some of that needed board strength. **Sullivan** is both strong and aggressive on the boards. These are elements that have put the Dons in the position where they are in the league.

Last but not least, the one who has worked day after day with the team, coach **Cole. Mr. Cole** has kept the caliber of basketball Acalanes has been known for by making the Dons a hustling team both on offense and defense. His patience to work with an individual on some problem he has, has helped to make the team better. To make the second half of the season as successful as the first, the Dons need the same and more support from the student body. The team has appreciated the fine school spirit it has received so far and hopes for the same during the second half. Let's help our Dons to a **CHAMPIONSHIP.**

DONS TIED FOR LEAGUE RECORD



Jim Tucker and Piedmont's Henderson are wrestling (?) at the Piedmont basketball game as Borowak and Seely look on.

Piedmont'ss Game

Acalanes, hampered chiefly by below-par shooting, lost to the Clan at Piedmont by the score of 67-43. It was the Don's only loss to date in league play.

Besides being below - par in shooting, the Dons also lacked their usual excellence in ball control. Acalanes not only failed to steal the ball, but also lost the ball themseleves a number of times. As if they didn't have enough troubles already, Acalanes had to deal with the Clan's Tom Henderson, who gathered in 34 points and 20 rebounds during the afternoon.

Campolindo's Game

With the first half of the season completed, and a good record of 6-1, the Dons started the second half of the season against Campolindo. The Dons won easily by the score of 64-48.

As soon as the game started the Dons began to put on the full court press successfully. It had faltered against Piedmont. With pressure by **Walgren** and **Silva** up front, Campolindo turned the ball over many times to the Dons. With even scoring from the starters, the Dons led at the quarter 19-12.

had trouble getting the ball going. While the Dons were pumping through 17 points, the Cougars were putting through 14 of their own. As the quarter and half ended, the Dons led by the score of 36-26.

With no real problems encountered in the first half, the Dons were ready to continue where they ended. Mr. Cole, going to the bench a little, kept on the press and made Campolindo throw the ball away many times. With a good shooting per cent going, the Dons kept hitting from the floor and the foul line. As the quarter ended the Dons had upped the score to 51-35.

As the fourth quarter started Mr. Cole had most of the starters out of the game. The press, still in effect, kept the Cougars from scoring or pulling too close. The Dons needed this one and every one from here on to prepare for the big game with Pidmont. The game ended with the score 64-48 in favor of the Dons.

Alhambra's Game

The Dons with the full court press and fast break, tore Alhambra apart the score of 91-51. With constant pressure and constant running, the Dons just outran Alhambra in all areas of the game.

Wasting no time in getting started, the Dons opened with the press which has been their main weapon in defeating 8 of their last 9 opponents. Led by the torrid shooting of **Bob Walgren** and good defense, the Dons took an early lead of 27-9. **Walgren** with 16 points in the first quarter (most by any player this year), and defense along with the fast break had Alhambra running from the start. As the quarter ended the Dons led by the score of 27-9.

With the lead built up in the first quarter, Mr. Cole put in **Borowiak, Eames, Sullivan,** and **Silva** a few minutes after the second quarter started. Alhambra taking advantage of the switch outscored the Dons in the second quarter by 21-16. This wasn't enough for the Bulldogs to go ahead with as the stiff Don defense tightened up. As the half came to an end, the Dons led by 43-28.

With the starting five in for the beginning of the third quarter, the Dons came within one point of their previous high of 25 for one quarter. With the press and fast break the Dons outscored Alhambra in the third quarter by 24-12. **Walgren** keeping up the sooting from the first quarter helped the Dons to pull ahead by 27 points. As the quarter ended the Dons led by the score of 67-40.

The fourth quarter saw everybody play. With about five minutes to go, Mr. Cole put in substitutes for the remainder of the game. With this win and Piedmonts loss to Miramonte, the Dons are once again tied for first place in the FAL.

DON WRESTLERS EXHIBIT SKILL

By Laurie Gardner

Until recently I had held the opinion that wrestling was a sport involving perspiring bodies engaged in combat involving some kind of brute force. This is so wrong it is ludicrous when reflected upon. After having attended only a few meets it is evident even to me that wrestling involves some of Acalanes' finest athletes employing strength, coordination, intricate maneuvers, and strategy to outwit and overpower their opponents.

Our wrestling team has done especially well this season, being credited with six out of eight wins. In two tournaments (at Del Valle and Gonsales), our wrestling team won first place after competing with 16 other teams in each tournament.

With such great accomplishments it is a pity that the team does not receive as much support as do the others in the league. Even at away games, spectators from other schools are much more numerous and include their yell leaders, who do not feel obligated to support only **one** sport.

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